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SUBJECT: WEST BERLIN-GDR PROJECTS

1. AT USUAL MONTHLY MEETING WITH COMMANDANTS NOVEMBER 24, GOVERNING MAYOR SCHUETZ WAS ASKED WHETHER ANYTHING SEEMS LIKELY HAPPEN SOON ON VARIOUS PENDING PROJECTS WITH GDR SUCH AS FROHNAU ENTENSCHNABEL ACQUISITION, TELTOW CANAL, AND SPANDAU LOCK. HE SAID HE THOUGHT NOT, THAT MONEY IS THE PROBLEM, GDR MAY BE RE-ARRANING ITS PRIORITIES, AND THAT IT IS ALSO POSSIBLE SOME SORT OF PACKAGE PROPOSITION WILL BE PUT TOGETHER IN BONN. SUCH PROPOSITION MIGHT ENCOMPASS FOREGOING MENTIONED PROJECTS, PLUS HAMBURG AUTOBAHN AND ANYTHING ELSE OF INTEREST TO WEST BERLIN-FRG SIDE. HE LEFT CLEAR IMPLICATION THAT FRG AS SOURCE OF ALL FUNDS INVOLVED PLANS NEGOTIATE PACKAGE DEAL WITH GDR, AND THAT RESULTS CAN HARDLY BE EXPECTED BEFORE MID TO LATTER-PART 1977.

2. IN RESPONSE TO NEEDLING QUESTION FROM FRENCH MINISTER IMPLYING THAT SENAT IS SECRETLY LONGING GET INTO TALKS WITH GDR ON FUTURE OF S-BAHN, SCHUETZ SAID FLATLY NO SUCH TALKS ARE INTENDED OR DESIRED BY SENAT. HE SAID THAT AS FAR AS HE IS CONCERNED THIS IS A
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HAS TO BE HANDLED, BY WHICH HE MEANT AT SUCH TIME AS
EAST BERLIN EITHER CUTS BACK DRASTICALLY ON TRAIN
SERVICE OR ABANDONS SERVICE ENTIRELY. ABSENT SUCH
DEVELOPMENTS SCHUETZ SAID HE HAD NO INTEREST WHATEVER
IN GDR PROPOSALS ABOUT WEST BERLIN FINANCIAL SUPPORT
TO COMPENSATE FOR ALLEGED S-BAHN OPERATING DEFICITS.
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